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§8-740.1.

(a) In this section, “ship-to-shore communication device” means a:

(1) Ship-to-shore telephone; or

(2) Another mechanical device that enables the crew and employees on a vessel to establish contact with a person on shore as may be necessary to seek assistance under all reasonable conditions and in an emergency.

(b) This section does not apply to a vessel in interstate or foreign commerce.

(c) A person in command or an owner of a vessel may not operate the vessel on the waters of the State while carrying 25 or more paying or guest passengers in addition to the crew and employees unless the vessel is equipped with a ship-to-shore communication device.

(d) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$100.

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